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## **AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated August 15, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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